The Little Path.

is the small, sweet path of little things, ag its edge wee common flowers

rise.

And little words of kindly blessedness

Are whispered here where no sharp
thrusts surprise.

The tiny tread of little feet is heard,
and the first flutter of the new-fledged

Joys infinitesimal are clustered here.

The microscopic lives of insects bright: liere neighbor bees and yellow butterfiles

Filt—far below the angry sterms that blight
You peaks magnificent, where eagles tear

tear
The dripping prey that writhes in vain despair.

There is no crown of bay leaves waiting

here.
But fairy larkspur wreaths. Instead of gold of gold
The coreopsis shines forth prettily;
Here by the baby brooks are sweetly

(Through meshes of the cool green wa-

tercress)
Small silver tales of daily happiness.
—Clinton Dangerfield.

January Concours.

On Friday afternoon the art class of the Woman's College, under the direc-tion of Miss E. M. Whitfield, held the January concours in the studio of the college.

The best work done during the month

The best work done during the month was hung and many friends of the class called to see it. A special pleasure of the afternoon was the hearing of several songs by Miss Wilson, a charming young Richmond girl.

Studies hung were drawn and painted by Misses Ethel Elam, Lucy Scott, Irene Galeski, Nannie Hail, Stella Jolly, Gertrude Ligon, Sue Smith, Mary Saunders, Helen Tanner, Alice Whitlock, Agnes Dickie and Susan Diggs.

Pink Cotillon.

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Society in Philadelphia Is much interested in a pink cotillon given Friday evening last by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Collins Knight, of the Quaker City, in honor of their daughter Clura, this cotillon having eclipsed in magnificence any private entertainment ever given in Philadelphia.

The favors used in the figures of the cotillon were specially beautiful, the majority of them coming from Ports. Not only were they the work of the best Parisian manufacturers, but for the most part they had been made specially to Mr. and Mrs. Knight's order.

There were staffs from the top of which showered down bunches of dainty shawls, trinamed with elderdown, ermine and other furs; there were silver autoclocks, solid brass rules cunningly contrived to hold pens and pencils, fewel hores men's riding cross bandsome nice.

trived to hold pens and pencils, jewel boxes, men's riding crops, handsome pipes noxes, men's raing crops, handsome pipes in cases, sashes, and such a host of other handsome gifts as to keep up a series of exclamations of surprise. Even those who knew Mr. Knight's plans best lad a surprise awaiting them, as concealed in ten of the favors were jewels, and their recipients left to chance.

Box and Bridge Parties.

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Hon. Hai D. Flood gave an Academy box-party daturday night to see "The Sign of the Cross," in honor of Miss Virginia Cabell Baker and his sister, Mrs. Richard E. Byrd, of Winehester. Mrs. William H. Adams will entertain at bridge this afternoon, in honor of Miss Baker and Mrs. Byrd, and Mrs. Chiles Ferrell will be their hostess for Tuesday afternoon.

Current Literature.

Much pleasure is promised members of the Woman's Club in Richmond, by the review of books of the year, to be given this afternoon by Mrs. Leland Tankin

the review of books of the year, to be given this afternoon by Mrs. Leland Rankin.

As a reviewer Mrs. Rankin writes over the signature of "Anne Pendleton," and always in a clever, interesting way. Her review of Miss Glasgow's "Wheel of Life" published in the News Leader of Saturday was excellent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Carmichael-Hetzel.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Hetzel, of Martiasburg, W. Va., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Anna Lowry, to Mr. Harry St. George Tucker Carmichael. The wedding will take place in the spring. The bride-elect is an accomplished and popular member of Martinsburg society, white the groom is a well known civil engineer and a son of the late Mr. John Carmichael, of Lexington. He is the grandson of the late John Randolph Tucker and a nephew of Mr. Jl. St. George Tucker.

Mittendorf Roschere

Mittendorf-Borchers.

The wedding of Miss Marie Borcheis to Dr. William Keith Mittendorf will take place from the home of the bride's parents, No. 141 West Seventy-second Street, New York city, on Thursday, Cohrmen St.

Mr. and Mrs. Borchers, who formerly lived on South Fourth Street, this city, own a beautiful summer home, "Ednam," on the Ivy Road, about two miles from Oharlottesville.

Patriotic Societies

The following interesting account of the monthly meeting of the Albemarle Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, is taken from the Charlottes-ville Daily Progress and says:

The regular monthly meeting of the Albemarle Chapter, of the D. A. R.'s was held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Micajah Woods on High Struct at 3:39 o'clock.

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It was a very informal and delightful meeting; more of a social meeting than they usually have. Delicious refreshments were served. When they did get down to business they decided to give a large musical on the 22d of February, to raise a found for a State Column to be put in the Hall of Nations which is to be crected in Washington.

The musical will be given at the home of Mrs. R. T. W. Duke, Jr., on Park Street, and all of the best talent of the University and Charlottesville will contribute to it.

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Those members present yesterday were:
Mrs. W. M. Thornton, Mrs. Murray Boocock, Mrs. R. T. W. Duke, Jr., Mrs. William Wood, Mrs. William Duke, Mrs.
Cary Ruffin Randolph, Mrs. Frank Massie,
Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Olivi, Mrs. Earle,
Mrs. Huntingdon, Mrs. Renshaw, Miss
Selma Nelson, Miss Mary Meade, Miss
Mildred Page.

Enoch Arden.

On Monday evening, March 5th, at the Central Y. M. C. A. "Enoch Arden" will be presented by Richmond talent.
The poem will be read by Miss Puller; the Strauss musical arrangement will be rendered by Miss Redford, the first violin part, written especially for Miss Reinhardt, will be rendered by that gifted arrist.

Miss Puller is arranging a series of tableaux illustrative of the poem, Rica-mond people, familiar with the work of

IMPORTED BEER ON DRAUGHT

Poems You Ought to Know.

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fall to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry—Professor Charles Eliot Norton.

ONLY WAITING.

By FRANCES PARKER LAUGHTON MACE.

Frances Parker Laughton Mace, the American poetess, was bern in Orono, Maine, January 15, 1836, the daughter of Doctor Laughton, a physician, Graduated at the High School of Bangor, Maine, in 1852, she wrote "Only Waiting," first published in the Waterville Mail, in 1854, the poem being suggested by the reply of an old man in an asylum, who, when asked what he was doing, answered, "Only waiting," in 1855 she was married to Berjamin It, Mace, a lawyer; moved to San Jose, Cal., in 1855, became an invalid in 1891 and died at Los Gatos, Cal., July 20, 1859. Mrs. Mace published "Legènds, Lyrics and Sonnets" (1882), "Under Pine and Palm," poems (1887), besides contributing to magnatines.

NLY waiting till the shadows Are a little longer grown; Only waiting till the gNmmer Of the day's last beam is flown; From the heart once full of day Till the stars of heaven are breaking Through the twilight soft and gray

> Only waiting till the reapers
> Have the last sheaf gathered home; For the summer-time is faded,
> And the autumn winds have come Quickly, reapers; gather quickly The last ripe hours of my heart, For the bloom of life is withered,

Only waiting till the angels Open wide the mystic gate, At whose feet I long have lingered, Weary, poor and desolate. Even now I hear the footsteps And their voices far away; If they call me, I am waiting, Only waiting to obey.

And I hasten to depart.

Only waiting till the shadows
Are a little longer grown:
Only waiting till the glimmer
Of the day's last beam is flown.
Then, from out the gathered darkness,
Holy, deathless stars shall rise,
By whose light my soul will gladly By whose light my soul will gladly Wing her passage to the skies

This series began in The Times-Dispatch Sunday, Oct. 11, 1903. One is published each day.

these talented young women, may rightly expect an artistic entertainment. Personal Mention.

Mr. Charles Spencer came from Staun-ton, to spend Saturday and Sunday with friends in Richmond.

Mrs. E. M. Magruder, of Albermarle, is spending some time with friends in Richmond and King William county.

The marriage of Miss Achsale Dorsey, of Ellicott City, Md., to Mr. Albert Clark Serpell, of Norfolk, Va., is scheduled to take place on Februar 7th. Mrs. William Mann, of Cismont, Va.,

is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Cranz, in Richmond. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Moore, of Ro

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Moore, of Ro-chester, New York, spent last week at the Jefferson Hotel. Mrs. Moore was formerly Miss Florence Cabell, daughter of the Jate Dr. and Mrs. Grattan Cabell, of this city. Miss McCabe, the guest of Mrs. Chiles

Ferrall, is receiving a most flattering amount of social attention from Mrs. Ferrall's friends and her own in Rich-

Miss Katherine Copeland, is visiting her uncle, Mr. Joseph P. Hall, in Suf-felle, Va.

Miss Malen Burnett will take a party abroad next summer, sailing from New York the first week in June. Miss Bur-rett has lived abroad three years, and traveled extensively, and her intinerary promises a great deal in the way of pleasure and comfort.

Mrs. Edward Moore and little daugh-ter, Margaret, of West Broad Street, who have been very ill, are slowly re-

. . . Mrs. L. F. Harmon, of North Seventh Street, is still ill, but is slowly im-proving.

Mr. Alfred A. Wilson, Mrs. William M. Burge and Master Alfred Burge, of Birmingham, Ala., are visiting their friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hall Crew, Jr., of No. 523 South Laurel Street.

Miss Virginia Braithwalte,

Miss Noney Selden has returned to the city after a two weeks' visit to the Misses Pleasants, of Wilmington, N. C. While away she toured Florida in the private car of Mr. Pleasants, visiting the resorts and places of interest along the gulf and Atlantic coast. Atlantic coast,

Mr. Arthur Brantly Bristow, who has been ill with fever at Marionville, Va., since last October, is able to be out, and will soon return to his school in Charles City county. Mr. Bristow will be remembered by the college world of Richmond as one of the brightest and most popular students at Richmond College last year.

Mr. John L. Boyden is expected to com from Cismont this week as the gues of his daughter, Mrs. Hackley Morrison.

The last dinner given to General Joseph E. Wheeler was at Mr. and Mrs. Leon Marte's house, in New York, on Jan-uary seventeenth. General Wheeler, of course, had the seat of honor, and those course, had the seat of honor, and those invited to meet him were General and Mrs. John C. Calhoun, Mrs. Grenville Winthrop, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick E. Suse, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. Philbin, Mrs. James Parker, Mrs. Roswell D. Hitchcock and Mr. Foster Rogers. Mr. and Mrs. Marie have since sailed for Europe, to be gone some two years and to live in Florence, Italy.

One of the most interesting engagements announced in Pittsburg in many a long day, and first formally acknowledged within a day or two, is that of Miss Virginia Claire Hays, only daughter of Mrs. Henry Blake Hays and the late Colonel Hays, to Mr. Frank Chew Osburn, of the Hotel Schenley. Miss Hays is a member of two old and well known Pittsburg families, being the granddaughter of the late James H. Hays and the late William J. Howard. She is one of the most attractive girls of her set, and adds good looks and a charming personality to her other fine qualifications. Mr. Osburn is a lawyer, practicing at the Allegheny county bar, and is a son of the late Griswald P. Warner, one of the founders and the first president of the Second National Bank of Pittsburg, and an early resident of Allegheny, Mr. Osburn is also a member of the Osburn and Chew families of Virginia, his father

being a retired Virginia planter and his grandmother being Mary Chew, of the Chew family of Alexandria.

Captain M. B. Rowe, Captain T. Captain M. B. Rowe, Captain T. Mc-Cracken, Mr. W. H. Hurkamp and Lieu-tenant A. G. Billingsley were among those from Fredericksburg who attended the inauguration of Governor Swanson Thursday.

Miss Myrtle Graham has returned to her home in Newport News after a visit to friends here.

The Rev. J. T. Mastin, of the Methodist Orphanage here, spent Sunday in Lynch-

Mrs. J. P. Barker, of Waverly, visited her sister, Mrs. B. F. Little, in Richmond, last week.

Mrs. W. E. Barrett, of Newport News, is in the city.

VIRGINIA BRIEFS

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BIG STONE GAP, Va., February 4 .-Joe Isaacs, a Syrian merchant, of Appalachia, Va., who shot and instantly killed - Griffe, his former business partner, at that place about a month ago, was tried in Judge Skeens's court at Wise, Va., last week. The jury failed to reac ha verdict in the case, there being four for acquittal and eight for a

enitentiary sentence. DANVILLE, VA.-Bull dogs, cur dogs DANVILLE, VA.—Bull dogs, cur dogs and mongrels promise to become scarce in Danville if the Common Council concurs in the action of the Board of Aldermen in adopting a new dog tax ordinance. A general tax of \$1.50 on male and \$3 on females is provided, but the owners of bull dogs, curs or mongrels are required to pay a tax of \$35.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA.—The mag-nificent monument to General Hugh Mer-cer erected in this city by the United States government, at a cost of \$25,000, has just been completed, and put in posi-

not take place until spring, FREDERICKS HALL, VA.—The valuable farm, "Elmwood," owned by Mr. Everett Waddey, of Richmond, has been sold to Mr. Knight, a brother of the postmaster of Richmond. This is an old colonial estate, formally owned by the Saunders family.

HARRISONBURG, VA.—The Wampler school business of Timbersille.

school-house near Timberville, this county, was destroyed by fire Friday, en-tailing a heavy loss. The fire is supposed tailing a heavy loss. The fire is supposed to have caught from a defective flue, after the pupils were dismissed. The con-tents were a total loss. NORFOLK, VA.—Benjamin Gimbert, postmaster at Oceana, Princess Anne

ed in the sum of \$500 for his appearance before United States Commissioner P. S. Stephenson, next Tuesday to answer the charge of signing the name of Dempsey Sears, an old negro, to a pension check of \$25.

STAUNTON, VA .- There was four fire alarms turned in Saturday which is un-usual for Staunton. The damage was slight. There was also three runaways, all of which were teams hitched to milk wagons, the loss in each case being the

wagon and its contents.
WINCHESTER, VA.—"Perfection," one of the handsomest social hunters seen in recent years at Virginia horse shows. winning scores of blue ribbons, was sold Saturday by his owner, John T. Lindsey, of Berry's Ferry, Clarko county, to A. L. Warthen, of Front Royal, Warren county, for one thousand dollars.

> Roses, Cut Flowers and Designs.

Hammond.

Largest Stock. Florist, 109 E. Broad St.



AT THE ACADEMY FEBRUARY 8.

RAILROADS PAY STATE EXPENSES

Wisconsin Has Increased Taxable Values to Quarter of Billion.

REASON FOR FIGHT ON PENNSY.

Interesting Bulletin of Killed and Injured for Three Months. Other Notes.

The Wisconsin Governor's simple plan of increasing the State's revenue by raising the tax on railroad property : working. The tax commission, which last year increased the railway valuation by \$10,000,000, has added another \$10,000,000 for this year, making the total valuation \$238,185,000. At the rate of \$1.13 per \$1,000 the railway tax will amount to nearly \$2,700,000, but this it is stated is only the preliminary valuation, and it is thought that the final figures will show a still higher boost. The increase may not reach the \$1,000,000 which Governor La Follette set out to raise, but it will prob. ably satisfy, public sentiment for the present.

A telegram from Washington says:
There are two reasons for the attack made this week in Congress on the
Pennsylvania Railroad, in the Senate the
real seat of the antogonism is on the
Republican side of the chamber, Mr.
Tilliman heing merely a more or less
unconscious tool. The feeling against the
Pennsylvania dates from the visit of
President Cassatt to Washington and the
subsequent announcement that the two subsequent announcement that the two Pennsylvania Senators were to support the Roosevelt rate programme. Senators Elkins, Foraker and Aldrich were in-censed. There have been mutterings ever

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In the House of Representatives the antipass order is largely responsible. Members like Grosvenor, Landis, Davis and Cooper, of Pennsylvania, who supported the Democratic resolution, are among those who have been fomenting revolt since the new order went into effect. With many of them it is anything to get at the Pennsylvania Railroad. The resolution offered by Representative Gillespie, of Texas, calls on President Roosevelt for any information which may be in the possession of the Interstate Commerce Commission relative to a merger between the Pennsylvania, the Baltimore and Ohlo, the Chesapeake and Bultimore and Ohio, the Chesapeake and Ohio and the Norfolk and Western Railways. The language of the resolution, which was first introduced on January 18, is as follows:

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That the President hereby is requested to report to the House all the facts within the knowledge of the Interstate Commerce Commission which show, or tend to show, that there exists at this time, or heretofore, within the last 12 months, has existed, a combination or arrangements between the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Pennsylvania Company, Norfolk and Western Railway Company, Baltimore and Ohlo Railway Company, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railroad Company and Chesapeake and Ohlo Railway Company, or any two or more of said companies, in violation of the act of July 2, 1890.

Promptly on the passage of the resolution by the House, due to the leaders being caught napping, word came from Philadelphia that full! Information would be furnished by President Cassatt, It is claimed that there is no violation of law in the fact that the Pennsylvania owns stock in the roads named. Senator Tillman has broadened the scope of his inquiries to include the alleged rate discrimination against the coal fields of West Virginia.

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for \$500 miles and \$1.17 for each 100 miles additional. Allowance is made for terminal overtime as before. Grand Trunk has increased the wages of engineers on shunting engines 5 per cent. and allowed 5 cents an hour extra for detention on the road. The company offers to make the increase date from January 1st, but the surgestions of the complete of the total of the company is the company of the company is the company in the company is the company of the company is the company of the company is the company in the company in the company is the company in the company in the company in the company is the company in the company in the company in the company is the company in the company in the company in the company in the company is the company in the company in the company in the company in the company is the company in th the engineers' committee as begin with October 16th last.

A committee of conductors and trainmen has presented to General Superintendent Gilbert, of the Northern Pacific, a request that three brakemen, instead of two, be assigned to long freight trains. It is argued that two men have more work than they are able to do, and that a third man should be stationed in the caboose to act as brakeman, if necessary, or to serve as flagman when one is required.

The Georgia commission, as a result of its recent hearing upon the reclassifica-tion of Georgia railways, has placed the Atlantic Coast Line in Class A-1, instead

Mr. C. E. Doyle, general manager of the Chesapeake and Ohlo, says that the branch to be built by this company will run from Covington, Va., to ore properties on Potts's Creek, about 25 miles, and that work will begin early in the spring. It was recently stated that the branch was to be built from Covington. Ky. Mr. Doyle says that there is no present intention of extending the Guyandotte line beyond Logan Courthouse, as recently stated.

head City to Beaufort, N. C., three miles, The road will be composed chiefly of bridges and trestles, one and seven-eightly miles of the line being across Pamilio Sound. This structure is a pile trestle with two steel draw spans, one fifty feet in length and the other thirty feet in length. The contractors are the General Construction and Engineering Company, of No. 15 Whitehall Street, New York, R. P. Foster, vice-president, Goldsbore, N. C.; Charles Pearson, C. E., Beaufort, N. C.

Louisville and Nashville ordered in January, for construction at its shops at New Decatur, 750 box cars, 200 coke cars, 50 ore cars and 50 flat cars; for construction at its Louisville shops, 750 drop bottom gondola cars, 100 refrigerator cars, 100 stock cars, four vestibuled combination coach and baggage cars, three straight vestibule coaches with smeking compartments, two baggage and mail cars and two baggage cars.

article on the Colorado and Southern Ralisway, the shares of which company are held very largely in Virginia:

A few days ago a man who is well informed regarding the affairs of the Colorado and Southern Ralisway Company, when reminded that the common stock of the company was quoted at 38 and a fraction on the tape, replied: "Wait a little longer and you will see it selling at 46." This expression, in a small way, is indicative of the genuine confidence which Edwin Hawley, B. F. Yoakum, Frank Trumbull, who is president of the company, and the other large interests in the property, have it. if. The Street in general believes in the Colorado and Southern proposition. Prohably this belief is founded principally on the phenomenally large carnings which are being recorded month by month and on a rather vague idea of the benefits that will accrue from the extensions that are now being built in the State of Texas.

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The Georgia commission, as a result of its recent hearing upon the reclassification of Georgia railways, has placed the Atlantic Coast Line in Class A-1, instead of Class B, as heretofore, in and the Central of Georgia in Class B, instead of Class C, as heretofore, in general, railways in Class C are permitted to charge 25 per cent, above the standard. To make sure that the railways do not recoup by raising other rates now below the new maximum, the commission has issued an order formally making these rates its own, and forbial making these rates its own, and forbial flag the railways to raise them without the commission's permission. The reductions are effective on February 19th. No change is made in the classification of the Soboard Air Line.

The comptroller-general of Georgia has issued execution against tife Central of Georgia for taxes upon its holdings of Western Alabama Railway stock, with interest at 7 per cent. for ten years from 1896. The total amount claimed, including interest, is \$108,881.68.

The claim of the State of Alabama for a mortgage and libense tax on the \$2,730,000 of bonds issued for building 130 miles of the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic in Alabama, has been compromised for traveling passenger agent of the Seaboard Air Line at Atlanta, Ga, succeeding Mr. Pred Geissler, transferred to Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. C. E. Doyle, general manager of the Chesapeake and Ohlo, says that the brauch to he boilt by this commany will be traveling passenger agent of the Seaboard and Southern with the parallel has the brought by this commany will be traveling passenger agent of the Seaboard and Southern will be the railed by this commany will be the railed by the southers the colorado and Southern management.

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More than a year ago the Colorado and Southern earnings made a decided turn for the better. The improvement ever since has been steady and even pronounced. The December statement and that for the sir months ended December 31, were well in keeping with the exhibits for many months preceding. The reports both for December and for the half-year are strikingly favorable in two important particulars. It is generally known that the Colorado ralifoads are handling a large amount of traffic, bit it is evident from the official figures that the Colorado and Southern is specially well-prepared the colorado railroads are handling a large amount of traffic, bit it is evident refrom the official figures that the Colorado and Southern is specially well-prepared to handle this rapidly increasing business. In the month of December the gross earnings expanded 21-2 per cent. The while the operating expenses increased less than half that rate of 11 per cent. These facts resulted in a gain in not earnings of more than 60 per cent. For the full six months there was an average gain in the gross of over 2 per cent. During that period the operating expenses more only 14 per cent larger than for the corresponding six months of the year with not earnings of operations nearly 48 per cent larger than for the fresh half of the previous fised year. The gross receipts for the first half of the first half of the previous fised year. The gross receipts for the first bree weeks of January indicated that the returns for the full months will show a steady increase in traffic.

Recently were and Mrs Laura Cook Corey, the father, the mother and Miss Ada Corey, the father; the mother and Miss Ada Corey, the sister, now support the son aborder: when the son and brother's wife in the controversy, and the breach is said to be irreparable. Corey, the father; the mother and Miss Ada Corey, the sister, now support the son and brother's wife in the controversy, and the breach is said to be irreparable.

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Mrs. Corey was instrumental in bringing Mrs. Laura. Corey back from the west a few weeks ago under the hope that a reconciliation could be affected. W. E. Corey declined to deal with his wife on her terms, and a conference came to naught. A. A. Corey said to-

present fiscal year. T pay the interest on the latter amount f bonds will require only \$356,000, whit, deducted from the available interest may, would leave a surplus of \$1,002,359, it will be seen from these figures that he \$1,333,359 applicable to interest on ts new bonds is more than four times to amount required to pay the interest

MAYNARD HOEFUL.

Looks for An Aprropiation for

Looks for An Aprropiation for Portsmouth Public 'uilding (Special to The Times-ispatch.) NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 4-ongressman H. L. Maynard arrived het yesterday afternoon from Washington ad will return Sunday evening. He aid to-day. 'The general appropriation ill is now made, and Portsmouth is in 4e bill for the land for a site and for a 8rd appropriation. There is no doubt immy mind that if the general approprision bill passes Congress. Portsmouth wi get its new public building. The billiast session was held up by Speaker Canon, but conditions are now more favouble for its consideration, and I am very opeful."

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(Special to The Times-Dispach.)

GREENSBORO, N. C., Febrary 4...

On application of W. P. Streeter, superintendent of the Nortl Carolina Children's Home Socity, the clerk of the court last night issed notice of application for guardianship o a white infant in the possession of Nary Holl, colored, for the past six weeks. Deputy Sheriff Oscar Edwards went to the woman's home to serve the papps and take the child under habeas corpus proceedings. The foster mother pretested at giving the child up, saying she had just received a letter from a tade in Charlotte, never to part with it.

The infant, a boy three months old, was taken and delivered to Streets in whose possession it will remain unt the time set for the heating, ten days on. The baby was left with Nancy Hol cix weeks ago by a strange woman, and it has since been learned that it came from Raleigh and was the unfathered oftsping of a fourteen-year-old girl there.

It is very dimunitive, but seems to have been well cared for, though the officers says its surroundings were filly and unsanitary, the child sleeping in a room with four negre women and in hid with two of them.

COREY BREAKS WITH FATHER OVER WIFE

In Fact, Whole Family Turns Against President of Steel Trust.

BRADDOCK, PA., Feb. 4.-Reconcillation of W. Ellis Corey, president of the Steel Trust, and Mrs Laura Cook Corey, the wife who separated from him be-cause of his attentions to Mabelle Gil-

"Laura didn't want to go away with-"Laura diant want to go away without mother, and she would not go unless mother promised to go out and
live with her through the winter, and
so I promised to let her go. I understand they will do a good bit of traveling on the coast during the spring.
I'm sorry to lose them all, but they
had to go."

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Church, of Washington, who have been visiting the Misses Petreolas, left Thursday for Lynchburg.

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